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INTRODUCTION

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on August 9, 2005. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 14, such that the status of the claims is as follows:

- 1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for adjusting the height of a mowing deck of a riding mower relative to a ground surface, the riding mower having a frame supporting an operator seating area and a deck lift system, wherein the mowing deck is supported by the deck lift system, the apparatus comprising:
 - a lever pivotally connected to the frame of the mower proximate the operator seating area;
 - a moveable arm having a first end pivotally linked connected to the lever and a second end, opposite the first end, operably connected to the deck